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SUBJECT: JOINT US-EGYPTIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

1. WHEN MEETING WITH MFA UNDER SEC RIAD TODAY, HE ASKED ME TO CONFIRM THAT ANNOUNCEMENT OF ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP OF JOINT US-EGYPTIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL WILL BE MADE IN BOTH CAPITALS TODAY. HIS UNDERSTANDING, BASED ON REPORT OF EGYPTIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON, IS THAT IT WILL BE ISSUED IN WASHINGTON AT NOON TODAY. HENCE MFA PLANS TO DO SO AT 1900 LOCAL TODAY.

2. SINCE THIS IS THE FIRST I HAD HEARD THAT SUCH AN ANNOUNCEMENT IS BEING MADE TODAY I COULD GIVE RIAD NO CONFIRMATION.

I FULLY UNDERSTAND WHY THIS WAS WORKED OUT WITH EGYPTIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON, BUT IT IS ALWAYS HELPFUL TO BE ADVISED HERE IN ADVANCE OF JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS AFFECTING OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. WE INVARIABLY RECEIVE PRESS QUERIES WHICH HAVE TO BE ANSWERED.

3. ANOTHER REASON WHY SUCH ADVANCE WORD IS HELPFUL IS TO ENSURE THAT OUR JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT IS IDENTICAL. RIAD  
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POINTED OUT THAT MEMBERSHIP, AS CONVEYED TO US SIDE BY AHMED

EFFAT DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO THE US AND CONTAINED IN DRAFT  
TEXT SENT BY EGYPTIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON, IS NO LONGER CORRECT.  
ZAKARIA TAWFIQ HAS BEEN DELETED SINCE HE IS NOW MINISTER OF TRADE.  
IN HIS PLACE WILL BE AHMAD MUHARRAM, ENGINEER AND HEAD OF  
EGYPTIAN ENGINEERING COMPANY, A PRIVATE SECTOR FIRM. PLEASE MAKE THESE

CHANGES IN TEXT.

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